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SUBJECT: DRUMMOND REQUEST FOR RALLY IN CANAL ZONE

REF: A. PANAMA 8420, B. PANAMA 8422

1. PANCANAL ADVISES THAT, BY LETTER OF DECEMBER 6, IT IS INFORMING PRESIDENT OF CLU-MTC THAT BALBOA STADIUM MAY BE USED FOR RALLY (REF B) AT 1900 EVENING OF DECEMBER 7.

2. LETTER NOTES THAT CLU-MTC HAD REQUESTED THE STADIUM FOR A "JOINT ORGANIZED-LABOR/CIVIC COUNCIL RALLY" BUT THAT PANCANAL HAD FOUND OPPOSITION FROM A NUMBER OF LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND LESS-THAN-UNQUALIFIED SUPPORT FROM CIVIC COUNCILS, AND CONCLUDED THAT A CONSIDERABLE BODY OF SENTIMENT ALSO EXISTED AGAINST HOLDING THE RALLY. IT CONTINUES THAT PANCANAL SHARES VIEW THAT RALLY AT THIS TIME IS NOT ADVISABLE, BUT GRANTS REQUEST TO USE STADIUM BASED ON POLICY OF MAKING PANCANAL FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR PEACEFUL ASSEMBLIES OF RESIDENTS, AND ON INTERESTS OF SAFETY OF PARTICIPANTS. COPIES OF CLU-MTC REQUEST AND PANCANAL RESPONSE WILL BE POUCHED ARA/PAN.

3. IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT, ENGLISH-LANGUAGE "STAR AND HERALD" FOR SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, PRINTED A FRONT-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PAGE STORY ON REQUEST BY SIX MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO

INTERVENE IN DRUMMOND SUIT TO HALT TREATY NEGOTIATIONS
(REF A). ITS SPANISH-LANGUAGE SISTER "ESTRELLA" PRINTED
SAME ITEM ON SUNDAY. THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE LOCAL
REACTION TO DATE, AND STORY GIVES NO INDICATION AS TO
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